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Bicycle teacher Eddie Carmona shows adults how to ride.

Pedaling 101

Bklyn's adult cycling instructor teaches grown-ups how to bike

By Natalie O'Neill The Brooklyn Paper

They say you never forget how to ride a bike, unless you never learned in the first place.

That's where Eddie Carmona -

the borough's only adult-focused

"independent cycling instructor"

With Prospect Park as his training ground, the bike mechanic-cum-cycling guru has taught dozens of grownups (so far, all of them women) to let See **BIKES** on page 9

SCUM RUSH

Invasive species no good for fish, birds, turtles, park advocates say

By Natalie O'Neill he Brooklyn Paper

turtles blind.

An invasive pond fern has taken over the Prospect Park lake, and nature lovers fear the verdant gunk will choke out aquatic life and make

A rapidly growing species called azolla caroliniana has formed a sprawling green and red sheen on the surface of the lake by the boat-



house in the past few weeks - potentially hogging oxygen and blocking sunlight, according to Cornell University's Chuck O'Neill.

"It has a tendency to crowd out other plants and cause mortality in fish," said O'Neill, who specializes in the study of invasive species. "It's a nuisance."

See LAKE on page 3 aquatic plantlife.



The researcher says contam- Prospect Park's lake is coated in a thick layer of

'Redeemer' redevelopment

Church near arena to be demolished, rebuilt with retail or housing

By Natalie O'Neill The Brooklyn Paper

Religious leaders will bulldoze a crumbling-but-historic church a few steps from the Barclays Center to construct a new house of worship - and a shopping or living space above it, church officials say.

Congregation leaders at the Church of the Redeemer—a 150-year-old brick building on Pacific Street and Fourth Avenue — say the aging edifice must be demolished because it's structurally unsafe.

'We want to take something condemned and turn it into something beautiful," said congregation spokesman Shawn Duncan

The Episcopal church plans to part-



The Church of the Redeemer on Fourth Avenue will be demolished.

ner with a private developer to construct a building with a church on the ground floor and either residential or commercial space above it.

Duncan said no details about the size or aesthetics of the building have been confirmed — but city zoning permits a structure up to 120 feet tall, or roughly 10 stories, at the site.

Neighbors mourned the loss of the charming structure, which sits on a piece of real estate near the soon-toopen arena, saying several other old and beautiful houses of worship have been demolished in recent years in the so-called Borough of Churches.

"It's sad," said Howard Kollins, a Boerum Hill resident.

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First comes the gluttony - then comes the glory for Joey "Jaws" Chestnut.

DOG STARS

'Jaws' and 'Black Widow' come out on top at Nathan's

By Alfred Ng for The Brooklyn Paper

Recount for Kobavashi

"The Black Widow" could not

be squashed. Legendary competitive eater So-

nva Thomas smashed the female world record at the Nathan's Famous International Hot Dog Eating

Competition with 45 HDBs (hot dogs and buns), giving the famed athlete her second-straight Coney Island women's victory.

"I'm going to be 45, and I wanted to eat my age," Thomas said. The Virginia resident and Burger See NATHAN'S on page 9



"The Black Widow" Thomas broke the female world record and won her second women's belt at the 2012 Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Competition.

Unleaded!

Slope shop stops selling potentially toxic furniture

By Natalie O'Neill The Brooklyn Paper

A Park Slope shop owner is pulling salvaged-wood furniture off the shelves after parents claimed it contained lead-based paint that's dangerous to kids.

Chris Houghton — owner of the rustic home furnishing store Trailer Park on Sterling Place near Sixth Avenue says he will no longer sell furniture made from recycled barn wood that was slathered with lead-based paint decades ago, before public health reg-



ulations limited the use of the heavy metal.

"This is a big deal to me," he said. "I don't want to hurt kids - I have kids."

Houghton is now working with a consumer safety group, which may recall the See **LEAD** on page 9

'Last call' for bar getting arena makeover

By Daniel Solomon for The Brooklyn Paper

By Alfred Ng

for The Brooklyn Paper

Talk about a disappointing meal.

Hot dog eating legend Takeru Ko-

bayashi chewed his way into contro-

A Prohibition-era dive bar that got booted to make room for the Atlantic Yards mega-project will toast a rival pub that's at risk of losing its old-timey charm as it undergoes a makeover to prep for Barclays Center crowds.

versy again on July 4 when record-

keepers at a first-ever Bushwick

frankfurter fest announced he de-

voured 68.5 HDBs (hot dogs and buns)

See KOBAYASHI on page 9

Donald O'Finn, the owner of the newly relocated Freddy's Bar, is organizing a "last call" for O'Connor's, a Fifth Avenue Irish pub in the midst of a major renovation its owner has said will "modernize it a bit."

starts at 8 pm and goes until closing time, will be a chance for regulars and former employees of O'Connor's to celebrate the bar's past iteration now that it's shuttered for rehab work in the months before the Brooklyn Nets play their first

home game just blocks away

"You do a last call," said O'Finn, who once worked as a bartender at O'Connor's before finding a gig at Freddy's. "I was sad that I didn't get to say goodbye."

For decades, Freddy's and O'Connor's

were famously feuding watering holes, O'Finn said. They competed to see which could stay open the latest, and their patrons would square off in an annual softball game in Prospect Park. Sometimes tchotchkes from one bar

Freddy's Bar will toast the old O'Connor's (above) on July 11.

A skyline swim

Pool with a view opens on Pier 2



Brooklyn Bridge Park's new pool

By Ben Muessig The Brooklyn Paper

The McCarren Park Pool isn't the only new aquatic attraction that's making waves this summer — Brooklyn Bridge Park debuted it's much-anticipated "pop-up pool" last Friday.

Swimmers now have the chance to take a daily dip in Pier 2's 50-foot long, 3.5-foot-deep water feature from 10 am to 6 pm through Labor Day. The pool offers five 75-minute

swim sessions on weekdays and four on weekends in an attempt to cycle visitors into and out of the swimming spot, which can accommodate 60 paddlers at a time. The watering hole will be an

See **POOL** on page 9



Designer and innovator Ted Southern is working on a spacesuit from his studio on Seventh Street that he hopes will be space-ready by early 2013.

Stars in their eyes

See BAR on page 9

Brooklyn designers building spacesuits resident with a background as a

By Eli Rosenberg The Brooklyn Paper

A theatrical costume designer and a former Russian space program employee are aiming for the stars by building low-cost spacesuits that they hope will best NASA's current design.

Ted Southern and Nikolay Moiseev have constructed two prototype spacesuits in their Gowanus studio and they're currently working on a third that's ready to go into orbit - but before they can blast off, they need your help.

In search of funding, the duo has cast aside the secrecy of the space-race-era by using a more contemporary approach to fund-



raising: Kickstarter.com. "Not that many people are

making spacesuits — and those who are, are very secretive about it," said Southern, a Park Slope

costume engineer for Broadway productions like "The Little Mermaid" and "Equus." "They're worried about people stealing ideas. Kickstarter is open-sourced, but that's a risk we're taking - we wanted to be a part of the community and not hide." Southern, who won \$100,000

from NASA in 2009 for designing an astronaut glove, and Moiseev, who worked for the Russian Federal Space Agency for about two decades and recently relocated from Moscow, are perfecting a form of outerspace garb called an intra-vehicular activity suit.

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Attack of the Clone

Stefan Sabol is striking back, not striking out

By Will Bredderman The Brooklyn Paper

Cyclones left fielder Stefan Sabol is on a tear — but he wouldn't even know it if his father hadn't tipped him off.

The first-year phenom from California's Orange Coast College went on an 11game hitting streak from June 25 through July 5 — but he didn't realize it until he heard from dear old dad.

"I was aware I was seeing the ball well, making good contact," said the California native, who started his string of successful at bats with a single in the team's shut out victory over the Hudson Valley Renegades. "It wasn't till I was talking to my dad and he just said, 'You've got a seven game hitting streak going on,' that I realized it."

But Sabol — who sent a

fastball over the left-center field wall on July 4 against the Crosscutters for his first minor league home run said he made sure not to let his success at the plate go to his head.

"It's in the back of my mind, I'm sure," Sabol said before last Friday's game, when his streak came to an end. "But if I get a sac fly or a key walk that gets in a run, I'll be happy with that."

Sabol didn't get a hit that night, but he ended up reaching base on a throwing error and crossing the plate on a wild pitch — helping lift the Clones to a 7–6 victory in the rubber match against the Crosscutters.

Sabol said he never picked up hits in more than four straight games while playing ball in school and wasn't



Cyclones left fielder Stefan Sabol went on an 11game hitting streak from June 25 through July 5 - and he didn't even know he was on fire until his dad told him.

eying the all-time Mini-Mets record: 17 in a row, set by left fielder Lucas Duda – now a full-grown Met in 2007.

"I'm just trying to have good at bats, find the holes, and help the team win."

Record-breaking will have to wait for now, but Cyclones skipper Rich Donnelly said he definitely hasn't been putting the pressure on

his left fielder.

"The only thing I've said to Stefan since he's been here is 'Hello' and 'Good game,' said Donnelly. "When a guy's doing his work well, you don't need to say much to him."

The 19-year-old is batting .308 in the last 10 games with a .413 on-base percentage, is trailing only first baseman Cole Frenzel on the team

Facing trouble at home

Williamsport Crosscutters 5 Cyclones 4

July 5 at MCU Park

A controversial call at the plate in the seventh let the Crosscutters score the crucial run that snapped the Cyclones' six-game winning streak.

Williamsport took the lead on a threerun homer in the fourth and held onto it the rest of the game. The Clones attempted a rally in the sixth with an RBI double from first baseman Cole Frenzel and a broken-bat single from left fielder Stefan Sabol, who extended his hitting streak to 11 games.

But with a runner on second in the top of the seventh, the Crosscutters hit one up the middle to Clones center fielder Brandon Nimmo. The top Mets prospect hurled the ball to Clones catcher Jeffrey Glenn — but it wasn't in time, according to umpire Matt Moore, who declared the Williamsport runner safe over the loud protests of nearly everybody in the stands. After the strtech, Cyclones second baseman Juan Carlos Gamboa hit a solo homer — his first of the year — but it wasn't enough.

Cyclones 7

Crosscutters 6 July 6 at MCU Park

The Cyclones grabbed an extra-innings victory against the Williamsport Crosscutters on a walk in a game punctuated with wild pitches.

After a sloppy night of play, the Crosscutters gave up a single to designated



hitter Kevin Plawecki in the 11th. That was followed by a wild pitch, a walk, another wild pitch, and two straight walks one that drove home the game-win-

Left fielder Stefan Sabol's hit streak came to an end, even though he reached

base on an error and scored. Jamestown Jammers 6 Cyclones 3

July 7 at MCU Park

The Jammers dealt Cyclones ace Luis Mateo his first loss of the season, taking the lead in the first and refusing to relinquish it.

Mateo gave up three runs in the first and plunked a batter. The Clones scored a run in the bottom half of the frame, but the Jammers added to their lead in the top of the third on an RBI single. The Mini-Mets scored in the fourth and rallied in the bottom of the eighth, coming within one run of the Jammers after an RBI double off the bat of Brandon Nimmo. But closer Dawrin Frias gave up back-to-back hits to Gomez and an RBI single and catcher Kevin Plawecki threw the ball away, bringin in another run and giving Jamestown the win.

Jamestown Jammers 5 Cyclones 2

July 8 at MCU Park The Cyclones fell to the Jammers for

the second game in a row despite a strong showing by first baseman Jayce Boyd. Jamestown took the lead in the third

on a solo homer. An RBI single by Boyd who went two-for-three on the night evened the score in the bottom of the fifth, but the Jammers came back with another run in the sixth thanks and three more in the seventh. Clones shortstop Philip Evans managed to cross the plate in the ninth, but it was too lit-

Jamestown Jammers 5 Cyclones 2

July 9 at MCU Park

tle too late.

The Cyclones bullpen fell apart after a strong start by Hansel Robles, as the Jamestown Jammers swept the pride of Coney Island in a three-game series at MCU Park.

Ahead 2-1 going into the eighth, Clones reliever Matthew Bowman plunked a Jammers batter. The Jamestown runner stole second and scored an RBI single. After Bowman gave up another hit to third baseman Pedro Mendoza, Donnelly called in hurler John Mincone - who immediately gave up another RBI single. Jammers relievers Jheyson Manzueta and Nick Wittgren held the Cyclones scoreless through the bottom of the inning, and the Jammers padded their lead with two runs in the ninth





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DUMBO loses street

Road would be pedestrian plaza under new plan

By Alfred Ng for The Brooklyn Paper

DUMBO merchants and city officials want to close the tiny street of Anchorage Place to cars and expand a pedestrian plaza — creating a walker's paradise at the foot of the Manhattan Bridge.

The short street would be closed to automotive traffic under a plan drafted by the DUMBO Business Improvement District and the Department of Transportation that would convert the roadway into an extension of the Pearl Street Triangle that connects to the pedestrian-only Manhattan Bridge archway.

Demapping the street would make strolling through DUMBO safer and give the neighborhood more space for outdoor events and programming, proponents say.

'This will continue the remarkable transformation of this part of the neighborhood into a retail corridor," said Alexandria Sica, executive director of the DUMBO Busi-

ness Improvement District. Closing Anchorage Place, which runs between Plymouth and Pearl streets, would rid DUMBO of 24 parking spaces according to planners — but the city will change parking regulations on John and Pearl streets to allow parking at 20 to 30 new spaces

The proposal has won



Anchorage Place — the street at the top of this image — would be closed to cars under a plan that would expand the Pearl Street Triangle.

the endorsement of Community Board 2's transportation committee. It must go before the full board and face an environmental assessment before it becomes reality.

If all goes according to plan, the hypotenuse of the Pearl Street Triangle will be closed off with planters or other movable bollards starting this summer — which is way too soon according to Doreen Gallo, executive director of the DUMBO Neighborhood

will push traffic to the other side of the pedestrian plaza.

"It's going to impose a lot of vehicles over on Pearl Street, and it'll dramatically change what's happening there," said Gallo. "The [city] is taking the street away from real uses -a lot of cars are depending on using that way.'

Gallo says the project should be put on hold — at least until the city repaves Anchorage Place with classiclooking Belgian Block. a \$20-Alliance, who fears the plan million proposal expected to

begin in 2014. Her group also says reserving the road for pedestrians only makes little sense because of Anchorage Place's industrial feel.

Project boosters say closing the road will have little impact on automotive traffic because most cars frequent Pearl Street already—and many DUMBO denizens agree.

"It isn't really used as a roadway, I think it'd be more useful as a bike lane or a pedestrian walkway," said David Chang, who works nearby.

Curing the stink

Plant pigment could help at Owl's Head

Bv Will Bredderman The Brooklyn Paper

A green pigment found in flowers could kill the foul odors coming out of a Bay Ridge sewage treatment plant, claims a Community Board 10 member who is so confident that his air freshener plan will work he's willing to pay for it with his own Social Security check.

Allen Bortnick, who has spent years trying to find ways to kill the smells coming from the Owl's Head Wastewater Treatment Facility near his home on Shore Road near 72nd Street, says that treating the tanks with chlorophyll will go a long way in sweetening the air.

"Chlorophyll is a chemical that eats rather than masks odors," said Bortnick, 82, who claimed that Air-Wick used to sell a deodorizer made of plant juice that was more effective than any product the home fragrance company had sold. Air Wick didn't return calls about why the product is no longer on the market. "You could just put a tub of chlorophyll out, and put some rags in it."



CB10 member Allen Bortnick has his own solution to the stench of Owls Head Sewage Treatment Plant.

Bortnick says he's ready to fund the experiment out of his own Social Security check but the city isn't giving his plan the green light, despite lavishing \$50 million on the park last year in a failed bid to clean up the stink.

Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Vincent Sapienza dismissed Bortnick's green

"We're working on other

where Bortnick spoke of

Instead, Sapienza said the city was exploring traditional options like covering several of the tanks, moving more of the malodorous materials indoors, and cleaning the plant's digesters.

But Bortnick does have an ally in a Kingsborough Community College professor who says the activist's idea is ecologically sound.

"It wouldn't be surprising if a plant could neutralize some of those odors," said Dr. Patrick Llovd, who teaches analytic chemistry. "If you're trying to do things from a green perspective, it is something you could look into."

Lloyd pointed out that road planners often line highways with chlorophyll-rich plants to soak up carbon monoxide and other toxins, and suggested that the city put green algae directly in the sewage tanks, or create an algae-lined cylinder to pro-

cess the waste. The professor said that Bortnick's idea was sound, but claims the plan's execusolutions right now," he said tion — which would entail

tanks of liquid chlorophyll wouldn't work in a large area like Owls Head.

"If you want to deodorize pet smells in your apartment, that's one thing, but that's another order of magnitude from deodorizing a Brooklyn neighborhood," Lloyd said.

The professor added that both plans wouldn't be cheap to implement, and would certainly exceed Bortnick's humble Social Security pay-

"We're talking about a major feat of civil engineering,' he said.

Chlorophyll, a molecule responsible for absorbing sunlight and using its energy to produce foliage through photosynthesis, is used by vitamin and natural foods companies as an internal and external cleanser, but the last time researchers looked into the substance's odor-busting muscle was in the 1950s

with unclear results. The nearly 60-year-old Owl's Head plant treats up to 120 million gallons of noxious sludge per day, and has long been a thorn in the side of its neighbors - even after older outdoor tanks were moved indoors

In 2007, the city added covers on some of the tanks. and in 2008 it installed a "flare" to burn off excess gas - yet residents conat the last CB10 meeting setting up enormous open tinue to complain.

INTRODUCING BROOKLYN'S

Water meters soak boro

By Eli Rosenberg The Brooklyn Paper

The city's new water meter readers are drowning the borough in undeserved bills, say angry Brooklynites who are now paying as much as eight times more for water

than they did before. The Bloomberg administration is installing the automated devices, which read and transmit information about water usage, across the city in a \$252-million program that was slated to save residents and businesses \$90 million thanks to improved accuracy.

But residents say the meter readers are causing their savings to go down the drain.

and I'm waiting for something to get done with it," said Midwood resident Naomi Wolf, who claims she used to pay about \$1,200 per year for water — before the city billed her \$4,800 after installing an

home on Ocean Parkway last September. "I use a normal amount of water like everybody else.'

Public Advocate Bill de Blasio's office from all five boroughs — but Brooklyn leads the way with 168 complaints about allegedly faulty readers, 42 percent of the citywide total. Brooklynites ev-

"I've been frustrated by it erywhere from Park Slope ing to the Daily News. and Carroll Gardens to Canarsie and Mill Basin — the two neighborhoods with the

most meter woes. New readers aren't the only thing shooting up water costs. The price of water in the city automated meter reader at her has nearly doubled for homeowners in the last 10 years. In 2013, water rates will rise

another seven percent. Critics say that instead of Complaints have flooded helping residents save cash, the new meter readers are just another money-maker for the city. The city is on pace to collect a record \$3 billion in water bills, which would be an increase of 30 percent from the \$2.1 billion collected in 2008, accord-

The Department of Environmental Protection says the readers have helped save residents money by cutting down on estimates, and maintains it has found no "discrepancy" in any of the meter readings that

have sparked complaints. But public officials say

that's ludicrous. "The denials out of City Hall are getting less believable by the day," said de Blasio. "We know bill disputes are up, we know [the Department of Environmental Protection] is out hiring new inspectors it shouldn't need, we know homeowners are getting bills that defy explanation.'

LAKE

Continued from page 1 inated fishing or boating equipment could have also triggered the bloom, which first made waves last year but returned this summer in greater volume.

That worries park watch-

Javier Zelaya, MD

Verna Broughton, PA

dogs, who have long claimed the gunk scares away waterfowl, blinds turtles, and sickens mammals.

"It's a serious problem; it can kill aquatic wildlife in the watercourse," said park advocate Ed Bahlman.

Clear Healthy Skin

A warm spring season likely triggered excessive amounts of the fern, which has spread rapidly in the past three months and is "relatively new" to Prospect Park altogether, according to taxonomists with the Brooklyn Botanic Garden and the New York Botanical Garden who tested the water after the stuff coated the

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lake last fall and determined

it was "azolla bloom." Dubbed water velvet and mosquito plant, the new strand aguatic life is the "Jekyll & Hyde" of water weeds — serving as a crop-boosting miracle plant as well as an oxygensucking ecosystem invader. according to some experts.

The fern, which is considered "the best adapted of all species for subsistence on mud," can help balance nitrogen levels in waterways. And when it's combined with other strands of algae, it can make plants and crops more fertile, researchers say.

A Prospect Park Alliance spokesman, Paul Nelson, sent The Brooklyn Paper a link to the agency's website stating that the green and red gunk is not toxic and that scientists will continue to monitor it.

"We expect and hope that, being a native species, [it] will not have harmful consequences for our ecosystem," the website notes. "That being said, we are watching closely."

Authorities in Great Britain and China have worked to eradicate the same strand of water weed, saying it kills native wildlife and floods waterways.

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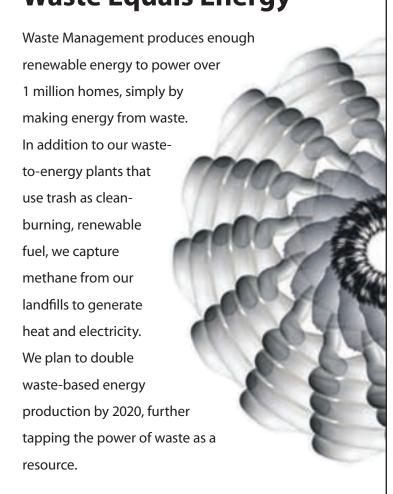
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THINK GREEN:

Lineup for Coney concerts

By Colin Mixson

The Brooklyn Paper Talk about a genre jumble!

Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, the Village People, Squeeze, and Gladys Knight will be gracing the Seaside Summer Concert Series stage this season, Borough President Markowitz said as he announced a lineup that spans generations and musical styles for the 34th annual music series.

But not everyone will be able to enjoy the concert series, which will again be held in a cramped W. 21st Street parking lot — irking longtime concert-goers who remember the spacious green of Asser Levy Park, where the series was held for decades before it was forced to relocate last summer.

"Asser Levy Park was a beautiful and classic location," said music fan Steven Centonzo.

"I miss the grass and picnicking with a blanket," he said.

Joan Jett and the Blackhearts

will once again perform at the Seaside Summer Concert Series this year.

to begin on July 12 with a tribute to Donna Summer, the five-time Grammy winner who wowed summer concert series crowds in 2009. Gloria Gaynor, the Village Peo-

ple, the Tramps, and Rose Royce will be among the 1970s performers paying tribute to the disco diva who lost a battle to lung cancer this past May. A similar Martin Luther King

Jr. Concert Series at Wingate Field in East Flatbush will honor the late Whitney Houston.

Markowitz said audiences at the Seaside Summer Concert Series can look forward to weekly Thursday performances through Aug. 20 with the exception of a Friday concert featuring Squeeze and the Romantics.

Seaside Summer Concert Series organizers will be offering 5,000 seats — at \$5 apiece — near a makeshift stage. There will also be room

This year's concert series is slated for 2,000 more concert-goers in an area in the back.

Asser Levy Park, in comparison, was twice as large and provided spaces for music lovers to lay

out on blankets. Markowitz held his Seaside Summer Concert Series at Asser Levy Park every year since 1991, but was booted from the popular greenspace

after he announced plans to build a

\$64-million, 8,000-seat bandshell

there. Congregants of two synagogues abutting the park balked at the idea, calling the amphitheater a monstrosity that would destroy parkland and overwhelm their quiet street.

Synagogue officials sued to stop the amphitheater after blowing the dust off an old city regulation that forbids amplified music within 500 feet of a house of worship.

Markowitz settled the lawsuit by agreeing to relocate to W. 21st

Cops: Gang attack in McCarren

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Greenpoint-Northside Three alleged gang members viciously assaulted a man in McCarren Park on

July 6. The victim said he was near Union and Driggs avenues at 9:20 pm when he was confronted by three alleged Latin Kings members. The perps hit the man in the left eye with a brick, then tripped him when he tried to escape, police said.

The men proceeded to punch and kick the victim while he was down, and then stabbed him multiple times, police said.

Poolside scuffle

Three teens were arrested for disturbing the peace and fighting police officers at the McCarren Park Pool on

Officials said the trio was causing trouble at the pool between Lorimer and Leonard streets at 5:15 pm. When officers tried to take them into custody, they teens allegedly attacked the officers, punching their faces and causing swelling

Cell snatcher

A thief blind-sided and robbed a woman of her iPhone on Maspeth Avenue on July 4.

She told officers that she was between Humboldt Street and Woodpoint Road at 1:05 am when the robber ran up behind, snatched the smartphone from her hands, and knocked her down. The victim suffered a bruise to her leg and the thief dashed off

Gun run

A gunman threatened, robbed, and injured a woman on Richardson Street on July 5.

The victim told police she was sitting on the curb between Debevoise and Kingsland avenues at 4 pm when the thug approached.

"I have a gun, give me your money," he said as he pulled a pistol from his waistband.

The victim fought back and the perp pushed her to the ground, and left with her bag containing \$1,000. The woman suffered cuts on her left elbow and arm.

Car caper

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A thief stole a Lincoln Town Car left idling on Wythe Avenue on July 8.

The victim said he left his car parked and running between N. 11th and N. 12th streets at 6:10 am as he got out to talk to a friend. He turned around to see his car -containing his iPhone and navigation system - speed-

78TH PRECINCT Park Slope Cold shoulder

A jerk snatched a purse

containing a wallet and cellphone from a woman on 14th Street in the early morning of July 7.

The 39-year-old victim told cops she was near Fifth Avenue at 4:30 am when a crook grabbed the bag hanging from her shoulder and ran away, making off with the brown wallet and cellphone inside. **Held tight**

A group of thugs roughed

up a man, then jacked his cellphone on Prospect Park West on July 3. The 24-year-old victim

told cops he was standing in front of his home near Ninth Street at 12:15 am when five perps approached him.

One of the assailants grabbed the victim and held him from behind while another swiped his iPhone before running away.

Tireless thief

The wheels of two cars one parked on Prospect Park West and the other on Garfield Place — went missing

overnight on July 5. A 40-year-old victim told cops he parked his gray 2008 Audi on Prospect Park West

near 14th Street at 9 pm, then

am. That's when he discovered all four tires and rims, valued at \$2,500, had vanished.

came back the next day at 8

A black 2009 Nissan parked on Garfield Place near Fifth Avenue suffered the same fate, police said.

Jewels jacked

A crook stole some jewelry and electronics from an apartment on Fourth Street on July 6.

The 31-year-old victim told cops she locked her door as she left her home near Fifth Avenue at 8:30 am.

She came back at 7:30 pm and discovered a dent on her door and her lock busted then noticed a necklace, camera, and a laptop were miss-

Retail tale A thief swiped a wallet

from a clerk at a shop on Fifth Avenue on July 6.

The 25-year-old victim told cops she set her purse behind the counter at Something Else, a clothing store near Union Street, at 1:30 pm then helped some customers.

She returned 90 minutes later and discovered her Marc Jacobs wallet, along with her Kingsborough Community College ID, and \$80, were

Mama mia!

A jerk stole an unattended wallet from a pizza shop on 14th Street on July 2.

The 20-year-old victim told cops he left his wallet and cellphone at a restaurant near Fifth Avenue at 9:10 pm, walked away for 10 minutes, then came back and discovered them gone.

– Natalie O'Neill

88TH PRECINCT

Fort Greene-Clinton Hill

Lafa-theft Ave. on Lafavette Avenue on July

3 — while the couple was still asleep. The 45-year-old victim told cops he fell asleep at his place between Adelphi Street and Carlton Avenue

at 1:20 am, and woke up at

7 am to find his wallet and

backpack gone. **Bike thief**

A man left his bike unlocked on St. Felix Street on July 5 — and someone peddled away with it.

The 65-year-old victim told investigators he left his bike outside the building between Lafayette Avenue and Hanson Place at 12:05 pm while he ran inside to get his paycheck, but when he came back the bike was gone.

Chuck E. Sleaze A crook stole a purse from

the Chuck E. Cheese's on Flatbush Avenue on July

told cops she was at the kids' fun zone in the Atlantic Terminal Mall on Flatbush Avenue at 10:30 pm when she left her purse and went to the bathroom.

pocketbook was gone. **Climbing down**

Two men were arrested for climbing on a Clermont

Avenue building early in the morning on July 7, cops An eyewitness told police

that he saw the two men opening a window in the building between DeKalb and Lafayette avenues at 4:45 am.

Free shopping Police cuffed a suspect ac-

cused of using a fraudulent credit card to steal clothes from the Atlantic Terminal Mall on July 3. Cops said the 33-year-

old racked up \$2,913 in purchases at the Target in the mall on Flatbush Avenue at 1:37 pm before he was apprehended at another store later that day.

Cash grab

A thief struck a house on Lafayette Avenue on July 3 taking off with the ten-



90TH PRECINCT

Southside-Bushwick

A menacing gunman

mugged a man on Scholes

Street on July 1 — forcing

the victim to hand over his

was between Graham Ave-

nue and Humboldt Street at

2:30 pm when he felt a tap

came face-to-face with the

thief, who calmly told him

to relax and hand over his

phone. After the victim ini-

tially refused, the mugger

displayed a large revolver

"Don't make me pull my

s--- out," the gunman said.

The victim handed over his

phone and wallet, which con-

Two thugs attacked a woman at the Morgan Av-

enue train station on July

3 and dashed off with her

The victim told cops

she was inside the station

Bogart Street and Morgan

the duo approached her.

snatch her purse, she said.

back," one of the pugilist's

said, according to police doc-

uments. The victim then ran

toward an MTA booth, but

the two jerks caught up and

grabbed her pocketbook and

- Alfred Ng

"Quit trying to fight

for extra convincing.

Pain station

tained \$350.

purse.

iPhone.

As he turned around, he

The victim told police he

phone and cash.

on his shoulders.

Pistol pilfering

ant's wallet and cash.

The 31-year-old victim told cops he went to bed at his place between Cumberland Street and Carlton Avenue at 12:30 am and awoke at 9 am to find his wallet missing

Ganged up

A pack of men surrounded a teenager playing basketball on DeKalb Avenue on July 7 and robbed him.

The 16-year-old victim said he was playing hoops with his cousin at the park at Adelphi Street when 12 men surrounded him and took his phone and sunglasses.

myPhone

A crook stole a woman's cellphone on DeKalb Avenue on July 7.

The 35-year-old victim told cops she near Grand Avenue at 11 am when the thief snatched the phone out of her hand and ran.

Targeted

A crook grabbed a woman's purse inside the Atlantic Terminal Mall on July 3.

The 24-year-old victim told cops she was in the Target on Flatbush Avenue at 5:40 pm when she took her eyes offher shopping cart which was holding her purse. When she returned, her pocketbook was gone.

– Eli Rosenberg

68TH PRECINCT Bay Ridge-Dyker Heights Gone in a flash

A crook took \$1,550 in cameras from a Bay Ridge man's 67th Street apartment on July 2, cops say.

he left the window of his apartment between Fourth and Fifth avenues open before taking off for work at

When he came home at 4:30 pm, he saw someone had opened his window and left

with his pricey photo gear. **Lifted screen**

A burglar helped himself to an \$800 TV from a 64th Street apartment while the

tenant was out on July 4. The victim said he left the windows open at his home between Third and Fourth avenues before leaving at 2 pm, and then came back at 2 am to see a thief had pushed up one of the screens and made off with the costly electronics.

Mac daddy

A bandit yoinked a \$2,000 MacBook computer from a Seventh Avenue house on July 7.

The victim told cops that The 27-year-old victim he left his pad between 83rd and 84th streets at 2:50 pm, and came back at 3:13 pm only to find that a burglar had busted open his side door and taken his laptop.

Cops are looking at a When she returned, the neighbor's security tapes to find the thief. — Will Bredderman

76TH PRECINCT

Carroll Gardens-Cobble Hill-Red Hook

Three shot

A gunman shot and wounded three victims in a shocking July 7 attack on Richards Street.

Cops responding to a shooting at 3:40 am found three injured men near the lobby of a building between Sullivan and Wolcott streets. All three victims—ages 19,

20, and 22 — had been hit in the torso. None of the wounds are expected to be fatal. Cops canvassed the neighborhood, but found no suspects. The investigation is ongoing, a police source said.

Drop it

Police cuffed a 23-year-old accused of dropping a loaded handgun when he crossed paths with cops on July 6.

Officers responding to reports of shots fired at the corner of Henry and Mill streets at 11:15 pm say they spotted a man matching the description of a suspect. They report seeing the man chuck a firearm onto the sidewalk, hop into a 2006 Hyundai, and flee to-

ward Hamilton Avenue. They gave chase, pulled him over and took him into custody after recovering a loaded, black Hi-Point semiautomatic pistol nearby, ac-

cording to investigators. **Bagel bites**

on Harrison Place between Thieves broke into a Ham-Avenue at 3:04 am when ilton Avenue bagel shop and made off with a TV and cash, One mugger punched her, and the other attempted to

according to police. The burglars got into the cafe between Summit and Van Brunt streets after 3 pm on June 30. When employees opened up the shop at 6:30 am on July 1, they realized a TV was missing, \$120 had vanished from the register. and the rear door was ajar.

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cocktails

Naming your establishment after a local landmark is one thing, but taking the morethan-undrinkable Gowanus Canal as the namesake for a beverage — and serving it up to patrons — is walking a line between the playfully ironic, and plainly daring.

Here are three drinks named after the putrid sludgeway that we tried and survived to write about.

The Gowanus

A dip in the Gowanus Canal is more risky than it is restorative, but splashing around in a refreshing cocktail of the same name is a safer proposition (pic-

tured below). Made grapefruit vodka, grapefruit juice, seltzer, lime, simple syrup, and some fresh basil flotsam, Bar Tano's creation is a slightly bitter summer drink that reminded our intrepid reporter of a not-so-sweet mojito or a spiked lime-ade. Fishing out all of that ba-

sil using a cocktail straw is a tall task — you might even start empathizing with the feds tasked with scrubbing the waterway while you're trying to clean out your glass.

Bar Tano [457 Third Ave. at Ninth Street, (718) 499-3400, bartano.com]. \$10.

Gowanus Houseboat Swizzle This sludge-inspired concoction actually

looks like a refreshing glass of canal water, with something strange floating at the top and the rest becoming progressively murky as you reach the bottom, but don't worry — it's a layer of red bitters, and not a toxic chemical, you see. It sits atop a color shifting liquid that goes from a bright orange to neon yellow to a slight green — that's the blend of Cachaca, lime, orange juice, and Galliano.

It's served cold enough to form frost on the glass, and it starts off with strong, tasting of ginger, and ends bitter and dry, thanks to the sour flavor Clover Club [210 Smith St.,

between Baltic and Butler streets, (718) 855–7939]. \$12.

St. Gowanus Beer

This Belgian pale ale from the local brewers

at Kelso is a muddy orange, with an insubstantial head, and tastes surprisingly light — since its name might insinuate a patron saint of pollution. It's a refreshing summer drink, and there's a hint of spice and fruitiness, begging for a slice of orange, but with none provided, the beer tastes a bit thin, and it lacks the deep and dark punch one might expect from a drink named after a toxic waste dump. Water Street Restaurant

& Lounge [68 Water St. betw. Main and Dock streets, (718) 625-9352]. \$6. – Sol Park

Contaminant Canal Spirit

New bar named for Gowanus biohazard

By Alfred Ng for The Brooklyn Paper

rinking from the Gowanus Canal

is a Brooklynite's worst ing....but that hasn't stopped the fetid waterway from inspiring a new Carroll Street watering hole and other trendy The new bar Lavender Lake touts the

Gowanus Canal in its name — following the lead of several other Canal-side businesses that have started re-branding the egregious environmental hazard in a bid for cred, customers, and cool points. "We wanted to pay tribute to the neighborhood but also have an invit-

ing name," said co-owner Eric Chavez,

who turned an old horse stable into

the neighborhood's newest bar. "Lavender Lake carries such a negative connotation, know any better, it sounds like a great place.

The Gowanus Canal's nickname became part of the Brooklyn lexicon after a 1998 documentary of the same name detailed the waterway's polluted conditions.

The viaduct's reputation has only gotten worse following widespread media coverage of the fact it contains gonorrhea, is flooded with hundreds of gallons of raw sewage per year, and qualifies for a costly federal

cleanup reserved for the nation's biggest environmental mishaps. That doesn't sound appetizing but entrepreneurs are still embracing

the putrid creek. Bar owners and restaurateurs have dubbed their business ventures after the

canal, from the Gowanus Yacht Club to the Canal Bar. The crew behind the buzz-worthy restaurant Buttermilk Channel - named

after the tidal strait beside the putrid waterway's mouth — say their eatery's name sounds clean for being so close to the canal. "I looked around for something in the area that would tie my restaurant

to the history of the neighborhood," said Buttermilk Channel owner Doug Crowell. "I still consider it a great stroke

of luck that we happen to be located near such a delicious sounding body of water.'

And it's not just the signs outside drinkers often find Gowanus-inspired concoctions on cocktail lists. The Lavender Lake — owned by a

group of interior design experts who



What's in a name: Lavender Lake's Emily Deason samples Gowanus-inspired drink, the Lavender Lake Iced Tea — a mixture of lavender vodka, lemon and earl grey iced tea — and unlike the canal it's named after, there's no trace of pollution. Below, an order of house chips served at the bar.

bar business — serves up a "Lavender Lake iced tea," which is tastier than it sounds.

The Canal-inspired drink is a mix of lavender vodka, simple syrup, Earl Grey iced tea, and lemon with no traces

otherwise have no experience in the of toxic sludge to be found — the only danger is in ordering a few too many of them.

Lavender Lake [383 Carroll St. at Bond Street, (383) 799-2154]. Monday-Friday, 4 pm-2 am, Saturday, Sunday, 12 pm–2 am.

COMEDY

Stories aside

Did you hear the one about the former Nickelodeon star who's making his stand-up comedy debut in Brooklyn?

Fifteen of the city's best storytellers — including "Blue's Clues" star-turned spoken word master Steve Burns —



series, is staging a special edition evening in which top-notch per-

formers ditch the personal narrative and prepare three-minute comedic performances.
"There's a gray area between comedy and

storytelling," said organizer Kerri Doherty. "This gives us a chance to tell a one-liner or make a funny observation." Many performers also participate in the legendary The Moth StorySLAM series and

have in the past told tales featuring an apocalyptic cockroach, a deadly Caesar salad and a clairvoyant colon doctor. I Like You, Maude at Tea Lounge [837 Union St. between Sixth and Seventh av-

enues in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762]. July 17, 7:30 pm. Free. — Natalie O'Neill

MUSIC

Guns blazing

They shoot to kill, and they've got Brooklyn in their sights. Energized from a nationwide tour, Cobalt

and the Hired Guns are bringing their fok-punk rock to Union Hall in Park Slope to some of their most devoted fans. The Chicago-based

band debuted their first album in 2008, "Jump the Fence"-which our editors reviewed three years ago as a smash Their latest album

"Everybody Wins" was a fan-funded project on the website Kickstarter — and a significant

amount of the funds were from Brooklyn. 'We had a big fan base from Oberlin College in Ohio," said band member Mike Roth. "Most of

them moved to Brooklyn after graduating." And after two years away from the borough, the band is feeling antsy to get back.

We can't wait to show them the new songs and new tricks we have up our sleeves," said Cobalt and the Hired Guns at Union Hall

[702 Union St., between Fifth and Sixth avenues, (718) 638-4400, unionhallny.com]. July 27, 7:30 pm. \$8.

THEATER

Cowabunga!

You've heard of turtle soup, but what about roasted heroes on the half-shell

A comedic trio are uniting for a night of Mystery Science Theater 3000-style movie roasts, but instead of cracking jokes over



Ninja Turtles. The movie is sure to inspire some timeless observations.

"I recently read a book about the sex lives of different animals, and did you know that a number of reptiles have two sets of penises?" comedian Jerm Pollet prodded in an interview.

"That means the Ninja Turtles have eight

But the show doesn't stop with the movie. The Raspberry Brothers have included Ninia Turtles trivia, ooze-themed drinks, and even

a live martial arts demonstration. Roth, at 40-years-old, is a yellow belt.

And while the first Ninja Turtles movie certainly has its hokier scenes, fans of cheesefests should see the sequel, where Vanilla Ice makes a cameo as the hokiest character of them all - himself. Nitehawk Cinema [136 Metropolitan Ave.

between Berry Street and Wythe Avenue, (718) 384-3980, nitehawkcinema.com]. July 20, 12 am. \$15. — Colin Mixson

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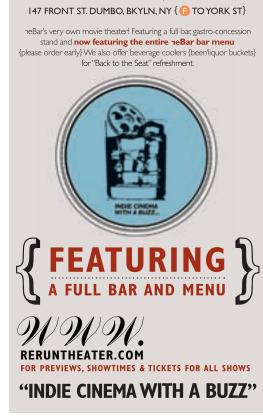
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Your land

Celebrate Woody Guthrie's 100th birthday at the Jalopy, where some of Brooklyn's best folk music performers will gather for a tribute concert. Guthrie was a Coney Island resident, political activist, songwriter, and poet, so along with the music, there will be a reading of his works, a screening of "To Hear Your Banjo Play," and stories from people who knew the artist personally.

9 pm at the Jalopy [315 Columbia St. between Hamilton Avenue and Woodhull Street, (718) 395-3214, jalopy.biz]. \$10.

SUNDAY

July 15

Royal Monch Best known for the

song "Simon Says," where he emphatically asked listeners to get up from the sitting or prone position, and legendary wordsmith from the popular rap show the Lyricist Lounge, Pharoahe Monch is performing his famously complex rhymes at the Brooklyn Bowl as a part of a benefit concert for the "More Than Me Foundation," a charity that helps young Liberian

8 pm at Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave., between N. 11th and N. 12th streets, (718) 963-3369, www. brooklynbowl.com]. \$17.

girls attend school.



MONDAY

July 16



Great American

With a view of the Brooklyn Bridge and a jazz trio, Books Beneath the Bridge, a new outdoor literature series, will have Amor Towles read from her novel, "Rules of Civility," — the tale of a young woman's rise into the New York City social scene, evoking the likes of Fitzgerald and Capote.

7 pm at Brooklyn Bridge Park [Pier 1 entrance at Furman and Old Fulton streets, (718) 222-9939, www.brooklvnbridgepark.org). Free.

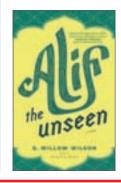
TUESDAY

July 17

Arabian nights

Hackers are constantly on the watch for the threatening surveillance spotlight of the state, in G. Willow Wilson's novel, "Alif the Unseen," a story that blends Arab culture and politics with cyber espionage and alternate realities. Fans of William Gibson and Jorge Luis Borges will appreciate.

7 pm at the powerHouse Arena [37 Main St., at Water Street, (718) 666-3049, powerhousearena.



THURSDAY

July 19



Glittering gold

Enjoy some old-timey entertainment at the kitschy Beauty Bar, with Helen Pontani of the World Famous Pontani Sisters. She'll charm you with her many talents, including tornado-like tapping skills, and her sparkling glamour, joined by live music from Jay Sanford and Jordan Hyde, of the Jessy Carolina and the Hot Mess ensemble.

9:30 pm at the Beauty Bar [249 Fifth Ave. at Garfield Place, (718) 788-8867, thebeautybar.com/brooklyn]. Free.

NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN

FRI, JULY 13

ART, POP PARADIGMS SCULPTURE RT, POP PARADIGMS SCULPTURE EXHIBIT AT ART LOT IN BROOK-LYN: The Art Lot is pleased to present POP Paradigms - an outdoor summer group show of new, large-scale, sculptural works by Marin Abell, Kyla Chevrier, Lorraine Dauw, Nate Heiges, and Catherine Telford-Keogh. Free to the public, and will be on view until the end of July. free. Art Lot (206 Columbia St. at Sackett Street in Red Hook), www. marinabell.org/marinabell/Frozen_Pond.html. Pond.html.

CLASS, FREE WOMEN'S SELF DE-FENSE CLASS: We will be offer-ing the public a free women's self defense class fridays at 8 pm start-ing June 29th. The goal is to teach practical ways to defend against an attacker. Every woman should have access to women's self defen-training. We hope to help protect women by offering this training in a positive and empowering setting, for free. You shouldn't have to pay for safetyl free. 8:00 pm. Class One Mixed Martial Arts & CrossFit [85 4th Ave in Park Slope, (718) 230–3530], www.clmma.com

www.c1mma.com THEATER, XANADU - SUMMER CAMP '70S STYLE, ROLLS INTO BROOKLYN THIS SUMMER! ROLLER-SKATING MUSICAL COMEDY SPECTACULAR MAKES ITS BROOKLYN PREMIER: Piper Theatre brings the unrestrained fun and fashions of the 1970s to the Old Stone House this July, as we proudly present the Brooklyn premiere of "Xanadu," the musical comedy adapted from the 1980 cult classic film starring Olivia Newton-John. The cast is on roller skates for almost the entire production makes it the summertime-perfect escape for Brooklynites of every age and cultural stripe. Free. 8 pm. Old Stone House, Washington Park [336 Third Street at 5th Avenue, Brooklyn 11215 in Park Slope, (718) 768–3195], piper-theatre.org/performances.

CIVIC CALENDAR

WED, JULY 18 Lefferts Gardens Charter

School. Board meeting. Free. 6:30 pm. Lefferts Gardens Montessori School [559 Rogers Avenue in Lefferts Gardens (718) 284-1480], www.leffertsgardens.org.

Community Education Council District 21. Annual business meeting. Free. 6:30 pm. PS 329 The Surfside School [2929 W. 30th St and Surf Avenue in Coney Island, (718) 333-3885], www.cecd21.org.

To list an event in the Civic Calendar, e-mail Calendar@cnglocal.com.



Roll-icking good time: Alissa Laderer and Jamie Roach are the stars of the musical on wheels, "Xanadu," at Washington Park on Thursdays and Fridays this July.

FILM, CLERMONT-FERRAND SHORT FILMS - ROOFTOP FILMS SUM-MER SERIES: Founded in 1979, the Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival is one of the most prestigious and exciting cinematic gatherings in the world. 8:00pm Doors open 8:30pm Live music 9:00pm Films 11:00pm-12:30am After-party. \$12. 8:00 PM. Dekalb Market [138 Willoughby St at Flatbush in Downtown Brooklyn, (718) 417-7362], rooftopfilms.com/2012/schedule/clermontfer

SAT, JULY 14

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THEATER, "LADY SUSAN OR THE CAPTIVE HEART, A JANE AUS-TEN BODICE RIPPER": A reading of the dramedy adaptation by Lynr Marie Macy that tells the tale of Lady Susan, a manipulative callous and cruel widow who is looking to and cruel widow, who is looking to buy her fortunes back by hooking a rich husband. No reservations, pre-sented by Theater 2020 Visions for a New Millennium. Free. 1:30 pm. Brooklyn Heights Library (280 Cad-man Plaza W. at Tillary St. in Brook-lyn Heights), www.theater2020.com. MUSIC, PARAGON RAGTIME OR-CHESTRA'S YOU'RE A GRAND

OLD FLAG: 2012 Hot Summer Nights, free outdoor concert series: George M. Cohan's Broadway concert presents a stirring look at this great composer's life and music, playing the original scores on antique instruments of such hits on antique instruments or such nits as "Give My Regards to Broadway,"
"H-a-rr-i-gan," "The Yankee Doodle Boy," "Over There!," and many more of Cohan's enduring songs. This concert features a Broadway song and dance man performing in grand Cohan style! Free. 8 pm. Kingsbor-ough Community College [2001 Ori-ental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Man-hattan Beach, (718) 368-5000], www. onstageatkingsborough.org. WILD BERRIES: Join with "Wildman"

Steve Brill and look for wild berries, mushrooms and greens. \$20 (\$10) children under 12). 11:45 am. Grand Army Plaza [Union Street between Flatbush Avenue and Prospect Park West in Park Slope, (914) 835-2153],

www.wildmanstevebrill.com.

CANARSIE HISTORY MUSEUM 10TH **ANNIVERSARY:** This will be the 10th anniversary of the fair and many are invited to check out the exhibits feainvited to check out the exhibits featuring: Canarsis Police/Fire history Native American History Local Merchant/Resident History and Canarsie Transit history, (with Steven Kaye of the NYC transit car restoration club). Free. noon. Canarsie History Museum [954 E 95th St in Canarsie, 718-649-5083].

SPOONS, TOONS, AND BOOZE GETS BANNED: Booze and feast while enjoying censored cartoons from the 1940's–1990's. \$11. 12 pm. Nighthawk Cinema [136 Metropolitan Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 384-3980], nitehawkcinema.com. SUMMER EXHIBIT: Urban Garden: This

summer's exhibit offers practical tips to help urban dwellers green up their homes, with a focus on easy maintenance and sustainable prac tices in Lily Pool Terrace. An exhibit on BBG's innovative community hor on BBG simodate community in tricultural outreach program, Green-Bridge, is also featured in the Stein-hardt Conservatory. 3 pm. Brooklyn Botanic Garden [1000 Washington Ave., at Eastern Parkway in Crown Heights, (718) 623-7220], www. FILM, THE ARGENTINEAN LESSON:

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Listed: SRDS

Author traces bomb's history to grandparents

By Chuck O'Donnell for The Brooklyn Paper

iroshima was one of the most devastating military attacks on civilians but it was also the result of countless people just doing their jobs

In the bowels of a decommissioned industrial plutonium reactor in Hanford, Wash., Greenpoint writer and artist Jonathan Fetter-Vorm was doing some field research for his book, "Trin-

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First impressions: "Trinity" is the story of the first atomic bomb by the same name, written and illustrated by Jonathan Fetter-Vorm (pictured

ity," and found himself standing where everyday folk government workers like his grandfather, a welder, and his grandmother, an office worker — helped create the first atomic bomb.

And like tens of thousands of other workers in Hanford and other sites, they were kept in the dark about what they were creating, until news broke of the bombing of Hi-

"He was just a welder working on instrumentation," Fetter-Vorm said. "When they

said weld, he welded."

The plutonium developed in Hanford was used to fuel Trinity — the code name given to the test bomb detonated in the New Mexico desert in 1945.

Fetter-Vorm is linked to Trinity through his grandparents, but the graphic novel traces the sweeping narrative of the atomic age, from the labs of Europe in the late 19th century through the arms race, to today's world where words like meltdown or fallout are as common as explosion or earthquake.

But what sets "Trinity' apart from the many other books about the Manhattan Project is the haunting pen and inks work of Fetter-Vorm.

"With graphic novels, you can jump back and forth from science diagrams to historical figures like Oppenheimer and Truman to a diagram of an atom," Fetter-Vorm said. "You can't do that in any book, movie or documentary.'

"Trinity" is part science lesson, history manual, comic book and -- journalistic investigation. To write the book, he located and interviewed two scientists who worked on bomb.

COMICS

Pick up a copy of "Trinity" at Bergen Street Comics [470 Bergen St. between Flatbush and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (718) 230– 5600], Desert Island [540 Metropolitan Ave. near Union Street in Williams Union Street in Williamsburg, (718) 388–5087], St. Mark's Comics [148 Montague St. between Henry and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 935–0911], Barnes and Noble [267 Seventh Ave. between Fifth and Sixth streets in Park Slope, (718) 832–90661. 832-9066].

In fact, Fetter-Vorm says he was careful not to use the book to espouse his personal or political views, thus allowing the reader to be overcome by a powerful feeling of dread instead of a didactic story.

But toward the end of the book, the author's grandparents speak their minds.

"My grandmother actually packed up and left the day after they learned what they were working on, when they read about the (Hiroshima) bomb in the newspaper," he said. "They were so horrified, they left. I'm proud of them for that.'

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Sweet meats

Slope pub mixes cold cuts, candy

By Will Bredderman The Brooklyn Paper

Park Slope bar is serving up an appetizer that combines the sweetness of dessert with the saltiness

of Italian deli meat. Uncle Barry's Bar on Fifth Avenue has forged new culinary ground by wrapping the chewy, crispy caramel-chocolate goodness of a Twix bar with a zesty slice of prosciutto — wowing hungry barflies and sparking dietary dialogue, according to beer curator Matt Volner.

"It's a conversation piece," he said. "The delicate textures of the caramel and chocolate and the prosciutto really come out

To construct the not-soelaborate snack, bar co-owner Jake Trebach retrieves an individually-wrapped chilled mini-Twix bar and strips away the plastic outer sheathing to reveal the delicate brown morsel within. He then takes a thin cut of salted and seasoned pork flesh, purchased from Blue Apron Foods on the corner of Seventh Avenue



Twix on sticks: Uncle Barry's Bar beermeister Matt Volner shows off the bar's specialty item , a Twix bar wrapped in prosciutto.

and Union Street, and carefully winds it tight around the chocolate. Finally, he impales the creation with a toothpick, and balances it on a rocks glass.

Volner recommends letting the concoction sit and warm up for a few moments before eating in order to relish it's full, rich flavor.

Since Uncle Barry's starting stocking the prosciuttowrapped Twix bar in May, it

has become popular among patrons—but Volner recommends enjoying the delicacy in moderation. "Eating it every day, I

don't recommend," he said. 'But come in and try it. It's two things people love, to-

Prosciutto-wrapped Twix bars at Uncle Barry's Bar 158 Fifth Ave. in Park Slope. (718) 622-4980]. One, \$3; two, \$5.

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Play with nerds Video games take the stage in festival

here are players on the stage, but they're not the ones to watch. Williamsburg's Brick Theater kicked off their Game Play festival with a terrifically inventive collection of four short pieces called "Kwaidan," adantations of traditional Japanese ghost

stories told through today's most popular video games - turning entertainment for the masses into delicate acts of story telling. The theater group behind the per-

formances, EK Machinima, is named after the founder and artistic director, Eddie Kim — and "machinima" is a term for the technique they employ to stage their dramas. Each piece is brought to life using several video games, including "World of Warcraft," "Duck Hunt," and "Halo: Reach" projected large upon a white screen at the very front of the theater (or "upstage"), and controlled on-the-fly, by gamers sitting with their backs turned to the audience and their faces wrapped in the glow of laptop monitors.

An offstage story teller, played by Connor Sedlacek, tells each tale in an uninflected voice, occasionally interrupted by dialogue from the characters— a blind musician performs for demons, a nobleman falls in love with a strange girl, a desperate hunter kills the wrong bird, and a young man nearly dies in an encounter with a witch. The video games, guns-and-swords-

centric as they are, could easily overpower these delicate stories, but Kim's directorial choices bring out the mathematical beauty of these 3D renderings, like the pixelated snowfall in "Minecraft," as well as the black humor of goofy cartoon violence, like in "Duck Hunt." There's also a strange irony in

watching this group of boys - who, sitting on the floor in the center of the theatre, appear entirely in their element with their laptops and joy-



Joystick em' up: Characters from the video game "Halo: Reach"are the actors in "Kwaidan" — a theatrical adaptation of Japanese ghost stories at the Brick Theater.

sticks, not so much spellbound under the narcotic influence of electronic entertainment as exerting control. One thinks of a group of marionettes with their individual masters.

Indeed, spectators can see the backstage workings, "strings" and all, because each laptop screen, visible even from the back of the house, shows the gamers hard at work, setting up camera angles and placing their avatars in position, even while the large screen goes black between scenes

Kim, a theatre teacher at the Pierreport School in Westport, Conn., has been creating and presenting machinima theater since 2007. The group, which consists of his students, has performed in various venues, including

the A.R.T. in Cambridge, Mass. The results are pleasantly surprising - not only because the logistics of their performance are a feat in themselves, but also the medium in which they convey such subtle stories is one so often associated with and underestimated as idle child's play.

Kwaidan at the Brick [575 Metropolitan Ave. between Union Avenue and Lorimer Street, (718) 907-6189, bricktheater.com]. Sat., July 14 at 5pm, Thurs., July 19 at 7 pm, Sat., July 21 at 7 pm, and Sun., July 22 at 2 pm.

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TUES, JULY 17

COMEDY, I LIKE YOU, MAUDE: Special Edition -NYC's Finest Storytellers Doing Stand-Up Comedy! FREE. 7:30PM. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718)

WED, JULY 18

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THURS, JULY 19

THEATER, THE TRAGEDY OF OTHELLO, THE MOORE OF VENICE, DIRECTED BY MARK HARBORTH: The Gallery Players is proud to present The Tragedy of Othello, the Moor of Venice, its fourth annual producits fourth annual produc-tion of Shakespeare in the Summer. Othello runs from Thursday evening July 19th, through Sunday afternoon, August 5th. \$18.00, 7:30. August 5th. \$16,00, 730.
Gallery Players [199 14th
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MOVIES, SYFY MOVIES
WITH A VIEW: Slumdog
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Bridge Park's movie series
on Thursdays this summer. Shorts are curated by
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from Brooklyn Radio kick
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presented by the vendors and merchants on Third Avenue. Free. 6–10:30 pm. Third Avenue [Third Ave. 81st to 89th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 748-9700].

RUMBA TAP: The ensemble mixes and remixes tradi-tional tap with a Afro-Cu-ban jazz and folkloric music. Free. 6:30–7:15 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www. brooklynkids.org.

FILM, COMING HOME -ROOFTOP FILMS SUM-MER SERIES: It's never easy to go home, but this program of spirited black comedies, fraught anima-

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Boogie down to Dancefeve Studio at 9pm! Come early ate hustle dance class at 8 pm. \$10. 8:00 PM. DanceFe between 3rd and 4th Avenues, (718) 637–3216], www.dancefeverstudios.com.

SAT, JULY 21

MUSIC, THE STRING OR-CHESTRA OF BROOKLYN: Concert in Fort Greene Park: The String Orchestra of Brooklyn performs Beethoven's famous Sym phony no. 5. Don't miss this dramatic, classic, and free concert in one of Brooklyn's most beautiful settings! Free. 6 pm. Fort Greene Park Visitor Center [Enter

FILM, BROOKLYN CASTLE
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MILL'S TRILLS: Uke Can Change the World gives families an opportunity to meet, touch and hear a collection of hand-made in-struments from around the world. \$15 (children under 4 free). 3 pm. Littlefield [622 Degraw St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Gowanus, (718) 855-3388], www. littlefieldnyc.com.



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BIKES...

Continued from page 1 go of their fears and grab onto the handlebars over the past five years.

Part coach, part accidental therapist, part professor of the street, Carmona uses a combination of old-fashioned pep talks, intuition and mind tricks to help his students overcome their fear of failure and embarrassment concerns that only grow

bigger with age.
"Kids are easy but it's really mental for adults they have a lot of fear," said Carmona. "So I work on the mind first."

The instructor said he often focuses on overcoming bike-related childhood scars, both literal and figurative.

In one case, a woman was desperate to learn to bike so she could keep up with her outdoorsy husband. She was in great shape physically but her memories of learning to ride were semi-traumatic because of an incident with her

"He didn't have the patience," Carmona said. "He told her she'd never learn, to give up and buy a car.'

dad as a kid, the instructor

So Carmona took the opposite approach: he worked with her, persistently, once a week for six months — first focusing balancing, then riding short distances, and eventually cruising around the

length of the entire 3.35mile Prospect Park roadway, he said.

According to researchers, only three percent of Americans say the main reason they don't regularly ride bicycles in the summer is because they don't know how and in cycling-obsessed Brooklyn, finding an adult who can't ride is like finding a two-headed bike hel-

One of Carmona's clients had managed to make it through living in the borough without biking, but she didn't want to be the only two-wheel challenged girl in her college town.

Problem was, she had long ago smashed into a fence while learning to ride, wounding her face and her confidence.

To bust through those memories, Carmona pumped her full of positive reinforce-

'You control the bike! You are the bike's brain!" he'd shout — and her fear

Most of his students, who pay \$25 per hour for lessons, prefer to learn on low-riding bikes, such as fold-ups or BMXs, before moving to taller ones.

He never uses training wheels, nor does he try the "I won't let go" trick used by sneaky parents everywhere — saying he prefers to let students find their own sense of gravity.

But he does use mind games to help students forget they're scared.

"I'll say, 'Tell me about your husband.' They start talking and all of a sudden they've ridden around the park and they don't even realize it," said Carmona, who works part-time Dixon's Bicvcle Shop, has the word "Brooklyn" tattooed on his upper arm, and is prone to passionate rants about obeying road rules.

Carmona has no website or storefront and relies instead on word of mouth and a stack of business cards to find customers, which also include children in Park Slope.

A spokeswoman for the bike advocacy group League of American Cyclists, Carolyn Szczepanski, said Carmona isn't the only adult-focused bike instructor in the country — but his approach is unconventional.

Many teachers take "licensed cycling instructor" courses, then register with the agency for credibility, although it's not required, she said. "Some people choose to

take seminars; others build name recognition in their community," she said. For now, Carmona is happy with simple street

cred "I always wanted to be a teacher and I've always loved bikes," he said. "So this is kind of perfect."

Canaveral or the Silicon Valley — but he says there's no place he'd rather be than

spacesuits they think I'm lying," said Southern. "New York in general doesn't have a very big aerospace industry, so we end up going to Houston and Palo Alto and Florida. But it is the center of the world, so it's hard to

Even in Gowanus, where creative craftsmen are making everything from cuttingedge art to homemade beer, the locals are surprised that space engineers are toiling in

"That's probably at the more extreme end of people doing stuff down here, but that's awesome," said Scott Albrecht, a woodworker and painter who was burning wood planks near the building that houses Final Frontier Designs. "Then again, for Gowanus, that kind of

summer long to keep my sanity, and believe me, I was tempted to do so. But then I remembered: I quit my job and haven't gotten another not just be-

signed them up for just two

weeks of sleep-away camp

forge new bonds with my

and letting them figure me

Of course, it is so easier

out — warts and all.

cause the world of journalism imploded, not just because my husband can support us, but because I really want to understand what's going on with my kids so that I may be of some small use to them in their lives. And that's a hefty load. Parenting is not just the time spent with the kids, it is also about

building one's confidence

enough so that when the

time to step to the plate

arises, you are ready.

But summer has always been a crucial season for me to gather my wits and fuel up for the big game. I've usually tried to relax again and take things slow during the break between school years. It's about actually maybe being bored and figuring what might float your boat, what it is you actually want to do. Even if you work full time, the days stretch long into night and there is far more opportunity to find things

that are pure fun. Computer screens loom large in our lives these days. But there must be other things that scintil-

Full-time kids in summer in the years since I have been out of full-time work, the same way I did when it was a necessity for child-care. But this year I

Fearless Parenting By Stephanie Thompson

in August. My goal is to late us outside of watching the stories other people boys by figuring them out have written or playing the games they have invented to test our skills. It's important to find more active things to plan them senseless all where our minds and bodies are fully engaged, and not just because a teacher or a counselor makes us.

I am nervous as I stare at the clock and imagine the hours ticking by slowly, as I hear the computers going upstairs and imagine my newly woken progeny engaged with them (instead of me?). What will we do today?

The first day off, we went to lunch with friends and spent the bulk of the day in the park, wandering. Oscar found every possible treat along the way and I joked that he could start his own camp, the "Sugar Tour of Prospect Park." I'm sure he'd get lots of takers.

There were many fights, as Eli bullied Oscar and Oscar bullied right back. It made me nervous for the long days ahead in Long Island, for our vacation to the Pacific Northwest. I didn't quit my job to yell at my kids, I don't stay home so that I can lecture, lecture, lecture.

Or did I? Hmm.

I realize that being with the boys fulltime, I am forced to see what their instincts compel them to do, how they react to me, to each other, and to the world at large. In seeing those instincts. I am forced

to tell them what I think, how I might wish for them to understand their actions better and take responsibil-

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ity for them. This summer, when their tired teachers get a much-needed break, I am their teacher, and when things go wrong there will be no one to blame but me and my husband.

Thankfully, I now have a furry friend, a little companion who looks at me with sympathetic eyes just at it hits me with a great sinking suspicion that I may be

possibly the poster child for what not to do as a teacher and role model. Buy my doggie's eyes give me some hope that as the summer moves on, I do get some credit for at least trying.

My fingers crossed that that might count for something, especially with the people who count most: my boys.

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SPACE.

Continued from page 1 Dubbed IVA suits (one must love acronyms to love

space), the orange getups are what astronauts wear while inside the shuttle. The safety suits, which were adopted after the Challenger disaster, can be pres-

surized in the event of an emergency — but the current design is in need of a makeover, according to Southern. 'The old NASA suits are heavy and expensive and don't work that well,"

he said. "We see an opportunity in this field." NASA's IVA suits cost around \$250,000. The duo, who are working under the

name Final Frontier Designs, hope theirs will go for about a fifth of that figure. And the savings won't stop

there, Southern claims. "Our suit weighs under

15 pounds, while the curdesign spacesuits in Cape makes sense.'

rent NASA suit is about 30 pounds — which in a flight of a bunch of people could add up to over \$500,000 savings in terms of fuel," he said.

The Final Frontier Designs suit will be suitable for travel into the upper limits of the low Earth orbit, somewhere around 1,200 miles into the heavens. Southern and Moiseev are

banking on an anticipated boom in the next few years in the commercial spaceflight industry, where such suits will be mandated. Eager outer space explor-

ers can donate to their fundraising campaign through July 15 — and those willing to shell out more than \$10,000 can take home their own custom-built space-

Southern admits that it might make more sense to

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KOBAYASHI...

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—barely besting Joey "Jaws" Chestnut's 68 HDBs at the much larger Nathan's Famous International Hot Dog Eating Competition in Conev Island — then quietly reduced the Japanese athlete's number to 58.5 HDBs.

Authorities from the archive of human achievement RecordSetter.com admitted they made a major miscount at Kobayashi's event, held at the pizzeria Roberta's and sponsored by the hip hot

dog shop Crif Dogs. 'Upon extensive video review...hotdog count has been revised to 58.5," the organi-

his score to 68.5 HDBs giving the six-time Nathan's zation posted on Twitter, stating the discrepancy came after half-dog. Kobayashi leapt

plates Kobayashi finished. The news must have come show his bulging belly. as a disappointment to Kobayashi, who destroyed his rivals in the Crif Dogs Classic, but initially looked disthree hours later. The orgaappointed when officials

ruled that he had consumed requests for comment. 68 HDBs during the 10-minute contest — tieing his bitterrival Chestnut's Coney Is-That is until Kobayashinected, even considering backer Maggie James con-

the updated count. sulted with RecordSetter founder Dan Rollman on stage and officials updated using this particular hot dog,

champ a slight edge over his rival from San Jose, Calif. After getting that extra

on the table, flexed his muscles, and pulled up his shirt to But his excitement was short-lived — RecordSetter corrected the count about

nization did not respond to Kobayashi, who also could not be reached before deadline, told CNN that he performed better than he ex-

"A few days prior to the contest, when I was told we'd be

one," he told the news station in a statement. "From the beginning, my goal was 55." The hot dog setback

I knew it would be a difficult

comes two years after Kobayashi parted ways with Major League Eating, the organization that oversees the Nathan's contest, due to a contract dispute. He was arrested in 2010 when he climbed onto the stage in Coney Island after the

contest. Last year, in a one man eating extravaganza at a Manhattan rooftop lounge, Kobavashi established a contested world record of 69 HDBs, though an analysis by this newspaper re-

vealed that he had only consumed 65 HDBs.

Continued from page 1 King manager bested the 40

against men in 2009.

HDBs, enough processed meat to earn her a secondplace finish, while Michelle HDBs.

mous International Hot Dog Eating Championship—and he left the contest hungry.

from California matched his Conev Island record of 68 HDBs in the July 4 exhibition of professional gluttony, but moments after the feeding frenzy ended, he said he wished he had put away 70 HDBs.

"It's a real bummer that I couldn't break my record, but it shows I can match my best," the eater said.

Chestnut, the overwhelming favorite, broke away about three minutes into the 10-minute contest, building his lead and keeping up a steady pace until the last eight seconds, when he crammed four entire hot

NATHAN'S...

HDBs she put away in the firstever women's only Nathan's contest last year, and the previous women's world record of 41 HDBs she set competing

Lesco snagged third with 25.5 On the men's side, Joey 'Jaws" Chestnut won his sixth-straight Nathan's Fa-

The 28-year-old mandible

dogs into his mouth.

Popular contender Tim "Eater X" Janus earned his second-ever second place finish at Nathan's, putting away 52.25 HDBs. Pat "Deep Dish" Bertoletti guzzled down 51 HDBs for third, and first-Juliet Lee devoured 33 timer Matt Stonie, who, like stnut, hails from Sai Calif., came in fourth with an

> impressive 46 HDBs Thousands of eating fans gathered on Surf Avenue to watch the display of manducation, but competitive eating experts are already looking forward to next year - because that's when Chestnut will truly have a chance to

make hot dog history. The eater's sixth straight Nathan's victory ties the streak

away 58.5 HDBs. A seventh consecutive victory at Nathan's would be a

first for the famed contest.

Kobayashi was considered by many to be unbeat-

tory in 2007. They ate at the same table

until 2010, when Kobayashi bailed out of the Nathan's contest citing a contract dispute and was arrested when he rushed the stage after the competition ended.

"I just got excited," he said.

Continued from page 1 would mysteriously find their way to the other.

Now, both establishments

share a history of being

shaken up by the Atlantic Yards development. After years of protesting the project by boycotting Brooklyn Lager, which will be served at the stadium, building mock guillotines for rallies, and wearing large masks lampooning

development supporters,

LEAD...

the folks behind Freddy's reached an agreement with developer Forest City Ratner to move from their Sixth Avenue building to a new location in the South Slope one equipped with the same chains beneath the bar designed so pub patrons could

lock themselves to their beloved watering hole to prevent its demolition. When O'Connor's reopens in September — just in time for the Nets' first season in Brooklyn — it will have an

expanded backroom, a space

for parties, and a second-floor

restaurant, prompting worries from fans of the old-man-bar that the hangout will abandon its traditional clientele in favor of sports fans.

"The only word I can come up with today is 'sad,'" said Dan Meyers, the editor of the blog Here's Park Slope and an O'Connor's regular. "It was my favorite bar in the city."

O'Connor's owner Michael Maher told The Brook-

lyn Paper last March that the

renovations will make the

pub three times larger and

one story taller — and bring

draft beer to the bar for the

first time ever - but they won't compromise its feel. 'We're trying to keep the old look, but modernize it a

bit," he said, promising to

keep the bar's old furniture

and hours of operation. Maher could not be reached for comment before deadline For O'Finn, the changes

at O'Connor's reflect the broader changes in the neighborhood.

"It no longer has that old-school Brooklyn feel," O'Finn said. "Something has

been lost.' per million. Houghton says he's deenly

barn wood.

That's a relief to parents. who say shoppers in the kidcentric neighborhood should be in the know about potentially toxic products. "I'm glad people are aware

attraction at the waterfront park for the following five summers thanks to an agreement forged by Assemblywoman Joan Millman (D-Carroll Gardens) and State Sen. Dan Squadron (D-

Brooklyn Heights), who

locked down \$400,000 in

state cash to build the pool, as

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well as an artificial beach and a food concession nearby. And Squadron says he wants to make sure neighbors will always have some-

where to swim. "The pool is already making a big splash with Brook-

now," Penman said. "Most He said his shop still sells parents don't know that

new furniture could pose

The new pool comes five years after the Floating Lady Pool barge docked at the foot of Joralemon Street and drew some 50,000 Brooklyn swimmers before setting sail for

CHURCH..

"These churches should

be preserved — but they are difficult to maintain," Kollins said.

Kollins added that new tenants should be encouraged to use public transportation to

The congregation now 'wants to work with neigh-

"We want the building reborn in a positive way,'



Mustard Belt in a surprise vicset by his longtime rival Takeru Kobayashi — who in a separate exhibition hours later put

able until Chestnut took the

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Exercising Smart When the Thermometer Goes Way Up

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f your hopes are high for exercising in the body's cooling mechanisms are impaired. summer sun, chances are that the temperature will be equally elevated. In the

summer months in New York City, when the thermometer regularly goes above 90 degrees Fahrenheit, it is crucial to be aware of the heat and the added stress it puts on your heart. To maintain normal bodily functions, your core body temperature must stay within a narrow range. Though it can vary from

person to person, the temperature at which a healthy body functions best is generally about 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit. When the air temperature is on the rise, the body automatically reacts to keep its own temperature from rising with it. Usually, it compensates by producing more sweat, which cools the skin as it evaporates. However, in high humidity, the moisture in the air makes it more difficult to sweat, and the onus of keeping the body cool falls squarely on the heart, instead. To keep your body temperature down in

the high heat, your heart rate increases to pump more blood to your skin, which in turn keeps you cooler. However, without taking adequate steps to support your heart in this task, your body may lose the ability to properly regulate its temperature. This could result in rising body temperature, rapid pulse, difficulty breathing, confusion, and even hallucinations. These symptoms are indicative of heat stroke, a potentially fatal condition that can occur when your

Dozens of Americans die each year as a result of inadequate preparation for strenuous exercise in the sun, so if you find yourself experiencing the symptoms described above, you need to act quickly. Call 911 right away, and begin cooling down as fast as possible. Move to a cool place, spray or

sponge yourself with water, and take a cool

shower if possible. Make sure someone is

with you at all times while you're waiting

for medical attention.

Despite the drawbacks, if you're planning a workout in the heat, there are many steps you can take to minimize the risks to your heart. As the weather gets warmer or as you move from indoor exercise to outdoor exercise - you should tone down your workout regimen until your body acclimates to the heat, generally a week or two. While vou should always stay well hydrated during any workout, the increased perspiration from outdoor exercise can cause rapid depletion of vital salts in your blood, which can cause irregular heartbeat. Non-carbonated sports drinks such as Gatorade and Powerade contain high levels of sodium that can help replace these salts,

If you're planning on exercising in hot weather, be smart. Taking the proper steps to account for the heat will ensure a summer of workout fun in the sun.

ers beforehand is another solution.

and eating snacks such as nuts and crack-

Continued from page 1 The move comes after

product.

benches, tables and cabinets which are new but made from century-old painted wood — tested well above the legal limit for lead levels in consumer goods, according to parents who hired lead

Tooth Bleaching (whitening)

inspectors and conducted athome tests.

In one case, mom Heather Hamilton says she discovered that her one-year-old had "excessive" levels of lead exposure. An inspector pinpointed a weatherworn bench and table that Hamilton had purchased from the store as

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the source of the toxic scare, she said.

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In another instance, mother Jill Penman conducted an at-home swab test of a chipped white cabinet from Trailer Park and claims it contained more than 600 parts per million of lead at least six times more than some furniture — but not the

concerned about the health risk and and has spent hours on the phone with consumer health officials since The Brooklyn Paper first reported the story two weeks ago.

lyn families — and I'll

continue to work with [the

Brooklyn Bridge Park Cor-

poration] and my colleagues

to make the pool and other

type made from the painted active recreation permanent

fixtures at the park."

Continued from page 1 ease traffic near the arena.

bors" on a plan for the site, Duncan said.

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CORP., Plaintiff against
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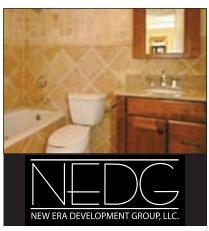
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